Mountain Weather Forecast

Northwest Highlands

Including Sutherland, Ben Wyvis, Wester Ross, The Cuillin, Glen Affric, Glen Shiel and Knoydart
Forecast valid from 06:00 on Thursday 06 Apr 2023 until 23:59 on Friday 07 Apr 2023

Forecast Issued on Thursday 06 Apr 2023 at 02:08 by Met Office Aberdeen

Confidence: Low for extent of low cloud and showers on Thursday. High for mostly dry and settled weather on Friday and most of the weekend. High for a return to changeable weather by Monday.

Headline for Thursday 06 Apr 2023: Cold with a chance of showers, drier and brighter later.

Mountain weather hazards on Thursday 06 Apr 2023

Blizzards
No Likelihood

Heavy persistent snow
No Likelihood

Storm force winds
No Likelihood

Gales
No Likelihood

Severe chill effect
Low Likelihood

Poor visibility
Low Likelihood

Thunderstorms
No Likelihood

Heavy persistent rain
No Likelihood

Strong sunlight
Low Likelihood

Weather and chance of precipitation at 800m					
Time					
06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00
Cloudy	Cloudy	Light rain showers	Sunny intervals	Sunny intervals	Clear night
Precipitation probability					
30%	30%	40%	30%	20%	<05%

Forecast for Thursday 06 Apr 2023

Weather: A lot of cloud through the daytime and this will bring a few showers which will fall as hail, and snow above 900 metres. Drier and somewhat brighter weather will spread from the west later in the afternoon, then mostly dry into the evening.

Chance of cloud-free hill tops above 800m: 50%

Low cloud and visibility: Poor in areas of cloud down to 700 to 900 metres, this most persistent and extensive until mid-afternoon. Otherwise good visibility out with cloud, but temporarily reducing in any snow.

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Forecast for Thursday 06 Apr 2023

Height (m)	Wind Speed mean/gusts (mph) Wind Direction (blowing from)						
	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
1000	17/20 NW	20/24 NW	21/27 NW	22/28 NW	20/25 NW	16/22 NW	12/17 W
900	16/19 NW	20/24 NW	21/27 NW	21/28 NW	19/25 NW	17/22 NW	12/17 W
600	12/15 NW	14/19 NW	16/21 NW	16/22 NW	14/20 NW	10/16 NW	7/12 W
300	6/17 NW	9/22 NW	8/23 NW	9/24 NW	7/21 NW	5/18 NW	4/14 NW
Glen	6/13 NW	9/17 NW	11/20 NW	12/21 NW	10/18 NW	6/15 NW	5/10 NW

Height (m)	Temperature / Feels Like (°C)						
	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
1000	1/-5	-0/-7	-0/-7	0/-7	-1/-7	-1/-7	-2/-7
900	2/-4	0/-6	0/-6	1/-6	0/-6	-0/-6	-1/-6
600	3/-1	3/-2	3/-2	4/-1	3/-2	2/-2	2/-2
300	5/3	6/3	6/4	7/5	6/4	4/2	4/2
Glen	7/6	8/6	9/7	10/7	9/6	7/5	6/4
Freezing Level*	1100m	900m	900m	900m	900m	800m	800m

**Level above which ground is expected to be frozen/snow is expected to settle.*

Met Office Aberdeen Meteorologist's View
Note cold temperatures at height, and strengthening summits winds for a time in the afternoon.

Forecast for Friday 07 Apr 2023
Weather: A ridge of high pressure will bring dry and sunny weather but some low cloud may develop across Easter Ross in the evening.

Maximum wind: Easterly 15 mph, but freshening on the summits after dark.

Chance of cloud-free hill tops above 800m: 80%

Low cloud and visibility: Very good visibility with great air clarity, although becoming hazy in the evening across the northeast with some patchy cloud developing around 500 metres

Temperature: **Glens:** Minus 2 rising to plus 12 Celsius
At 800m: 0 rising to plus 3 Celsius
Freezing level: 800 rising to 1100 metres

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